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SAVE HADDAD AND SHIDIAC

1. TISHRIIN EDITOR AMID AL-KHULI IN A TOUGHLY WORDED
FRONT PAGE EDITORIAL JULY 29 ACCUSES THE RIGHTIST
MILITIAS OF PROVODING EVENTS IN THE AL-HADATH AREA TO
DIVERT ATTENTION AWAY FROM THE NEED FOR "LIQUIDATING
THE AGENTS HADDAD AND SHIDIAC SINCE THEY HAVE DISRE-
GARDED THE WILL OF THE HOMELAND, LAW, AND PUBLIC
ORDER." KHULI ALSO CLAIMS THAT THE CLASHES WERE
FOMENTED TO PREVENT THE DESPATCH OF THE LAF TO SOUTH
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LEBANON.

2. KHULI ALLEGES THAT SECURITY INCIDENTS OCCURRED IN
AL-HADATH AND BAABDA JUST "A FEW HOURS AFTER THE
DECISION WAS TAKEN TO SETTLE MATTER REGARDING
THESE TWO AGENTS AND ONNLY A FEW DAYS BEFORE THAT

DECISION IS IMPLEMENTED AND PARACTICAL STEPS TAKEN TO
INTRODUCE THE ARMY INTO THE SOUTH. KHULI FURTHER
ACCUSES THE RIGHTIST MILITAS OF DELIBERATELY FIRING
FROM DENSELY INHABITED AREAS IN ORDER "TO DISCREDIT
THE ADF AND IMPAIR THEIR SACRED SECURITY ROLE AND
NATIONAL ROLE...THE PHALANGISTS ARE USING ALL LEBANESE
AS HOSTAGES AND SADISTICALLY EMPLOYING THEM TO ACHIEVE
THEIR FILTHY ENDS."

3. KHULI CONCLUDES BY URGING THE LEBANESE AUTHORITIES
"T ACCELERATE THE PACE OF IMPLEMENTING ITS SECURITY
AND POLITICAL PLANS TO BLOCK THIS PHALANGIST SCHEME BY
BEGINNING IMMEDIATELY TO SETTLE THE MATTER OF HADDAD
AND SHIDIAC IN ACCORDANCE WITH LEBANESE NATIONAL LAWS
AND TO DESPATCH THE ARMY TO THE SOUTH.
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